Report — 1999 was released by the Prime Minister of India on 7th February, 2000. The Report focusses, *inter-alia,* on regional disparities in development and impact on poverty and, for this purpose, analyses the position in 78 National Sample Survey (NSS) Regions in the country.

Soldiers killed in Terrorist's attack in Kashmir

†*194. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of army soldiers killed in the terrorist violence in Kashmir alongwith the details thereof;

(b) whether prescribed compensation is being given by Government to the dependents of the soldiers killed in the terrorists violence in Kashmir; and

(c) if so, the number of the dependents of such soldiers still to be given compensation?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) Number of Army personnel killed in terrorist activities in J&K during the period 1-1-1990 and 31-1-2000 is as under:—

(i) Officers	113
(ii) Junior Commissioned Officers (JCOs)	107
(iii) Other Rank (OR)	1247

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) Compensation as applicable from time to time is paid to the next of kin of the soldiers killed. This includes liberalised family pension equal to the last reckonable emoluments drawn by the deceased soldier, death gratuity at varying rates depending upon number of years of service rendered, family gratuity at specific rates depending upon the rank held by the personnel, and ex-gratia compensation and other benefits.

(c) Information is being collected.

Recruitment in Army and Paramilitary Forces in Punjab

*195. SHRI GURCHARAN SINGH TOHRA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state the number of persons recruited from Punjab in Army and other Central Paramilitary forces during the last three years, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): The number of persons from Punjab recruited in Army during the last three years is as under:—

Army

Year	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99
Number of persons recruited	4394	3740	6071